

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 KUWAIT 02211 131343Z
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 PM-05 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 CIAE-00
INR-10 NSAE-00 DOE-15 SOE-02 ACDA-12 /077 W
-----121757 140626Z /10

R 130628Z APR 78
FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 688
INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI
USINT BAGHDAD POUCH
AMEMBASSY DOHA
AMEMBASSY JIDDA
AMEMBASSY MANAMA
AMEMBASSY MUSCAT
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN
USCINCEUR
CINCPAC
JCS WASHDC

C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 2211

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ZP, MILI
SUBJECT: GULF SECURITY: REPORTED STATEMENTS BY UAE AMBASSADOR
TO KUWAIT

REF: (A) KUWAIT 1895 (NOTAL), (B) 77 MANAMA 170 (NOTAL),
(C) 77 KUWAIT 5272 (NOTAL), (D) KUWAIT 0532 (NOTAL).

1. DURING THE COURSE OF AN OTHERWISE UNREMARKABLE, WIDE-
RANGING PRESS INTERVIEW, THE UAE AMBASSADOR TO KUWAIT,
MOHAMMED SULTAN ABDULLAH, MADE AN INTERESTING REFERENCE TO
JOINT GULF DEFENSE PLANNING AGAINST FOREIGN OCCUPATION OF
OIL FACILITIES. KUWAIT DAILY AL-QABAS CARRIED INTERVIEW
APRIL 9 AND UAE AMBASSADOR IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS: "WE ARE NOW
DRAWING UP JOINING PLANS AMONG THE COUNTRIES OF THE GULF
FOR COORDINATION OF DEFENSE MEASURES FOR THE PETROLEUM FAC-
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 KUWAIT 02211 131343Z

ILITIES IN THE AREA. EVENTS REQUIRE THIS. THERE IS A COMMON
ENEMY THAT THREATENS ALL OF US AND IT IS GROWING DAY BY DAY,
SO IT WAS ONLY NATURAL THAT CONTACTS BE MADE TO COORDINATE
DEFENSE MEASURES AND TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST
THREATS OF OCCUPATION OF OIL SOURCES. AT PRESENT THIS MATTER
IS UNDER STUDY AND (CONFINED TO) CONFIDENTIAL PROPOSALS,
BUT IN GENERAL I CAN SAY THAT THIS MILITARY COORDINATION

AMONG THE COUNTRIES OF THE AREA IS AIMED AT SELF-DEFENSE
AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR ATTACK. WE ARE A VULNERABLE
NATION AND WE EXPECT ATTACK AT ANY MOMENT."

2. COMMENT: REXCEPT FOR MARCH 18-22 VISIT TO KUWAIT BY
UAE MILITARY COMMANDER, SULTAN BIN ZAYID REPORTED REF A,
WE HAVE NOT OBSERVED RECENT DIPLOMATIC OR INTER-MILITARY
ACTIVITY WHICH MIGHT BE EXPLAINED BY A JOINT DEFENSE
PLANNING EFFORT AMONG GULF COUNTRIES. FROM WHAT WE COULD
DETERMINE, THE VISIT OF THE UAE COMMANDER, NEW TO
THE JOB, WAS A COURTESY ONE.
MAESTRONE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: SECURITY, ARMED FORCES, PRESS CONFERENCES, AMBASSADORS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION, OIL FIELDS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 13 apr 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978KUWAIT02211
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780160-0480
Format: TEL
From: KUWAIT
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780462/aaaacacw.tel
Line Count: 74
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: d6f539b1-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Reference: 78 KUWAIT 1895, 77 MANAMA 170, 77 KUWAIT 5272, 78 KUWAIT 532
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 27 jun 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2983636
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: GULF SECURITY: REPORTED STATEMENTS BY UAE AMBASSADOR TO KUWAIT
TAGS: MILI, ZP, (ABDULLAH, MOHAMMED SULTAN)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/d6f539b1-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014